

TITLE 326 AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DIVISION

Rule Information Sheet

Vigo County SO₂ Redesignation, Lake and Porter Counties 2008 8-hour Ozone Reclassification,
and Clark, Floyd, Lake, and Porter Counties PM_{2.5} Updates
LSA Document #20-10

Overview

This rulemaking revises the designation status tables in 326 IAC 1-4 for three different pollutants and five counties. This rulemaking will update the state rule for consistency with the current federal designations for these counties in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 40 CFR 81.315. On July 8, 2019, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) published the redesignation of Fayette and Harrison townships in Vigo County for the 2010 primary 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) from “nonattainment” to “attainment” in the Federal Register (84 FR 32317). On July 11, 2019, U.S. EPA published a correction in the Federal Register (84 FR 33008) for the 2012 annual particulate matter with a diameter of 2.5 microns or less (PM_{2.5}) NAAQS in Clark, Floyd, Lake, and Porter counties to update the effective dates and the designation status from “unclassifiable” to “unclassifiable or attainment”. On August 23, 2019, U.S. EPA published a final determination that the Chicago nonattainment area, which includes Lake and Porter counties in Indiana that are currently classified as “moderate nonattainment,” failed to attain the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS using 2015 through 2017 monitoring data by the attainment date of July 20, 2018 (84 FR 44238). As required by Section 181(b)(2)(A) of the Clean Air Act, the area has been reclassified to serious nonattainment by U.S. EPA for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS.

Affected Persons

This rulemaking potentially affects owners and operators of permitted sources that have the potential to contribute to SO₂, PM_{2.5}, or ozone in Clark, Floyd, Lake, Porter, or Vigo counties. The revisions to the tables for Clark and Floyd counties are a correction and will provide consistency with the federal rule.

Reasons for the Rule

Updating the designation status tables will provide consistency with the current federal designations.

Economic Impact of the Rule

This rulemaking will not have a fiscal impact. This rule will not establish any requirements to which the regulated sources are not already subject to through federal requirements.

Scheduled Board Action and Hearings*

First Public Hearing: September 9, 2020, at 1:30 p.m., through Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting:

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